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MINNESOTA BULLETIN NO. 250-7-6

SUBJECT: FNM – MEETINGS – MINNESOTA CHAPTER OF THE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION
SOCIETY – ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND MEETING

Purpose. To provide information about the annual conference and meeting.

Expiration Date. September 30, 2007

The Minnesota Chapter of the Soil and Water Conservation Society (SWCS) will hold their Annual Conference and Meeting on Friday, March 2, 2007, at the USDA-ARS North Central Soil Conservation Laboratory in Morris, Minnesota. The topic is "Conservation and Bio-energy". Six speakers will cover topics including:

- renewable energy technologies at the U of MN Renewable Energy Center
- An ethanol industry perspective
- Economic forces shaping Midwest agriculture
- Research on effects of residue removal
- Management alternatives for protecting soil resources
- Potential effects on water quality
- Wildlife impacts and opportunities

Registration information and the agenda were mailed to all Minnesota chapter SWCS members and will be available on the Minnesota Chapter website at www.minnesotaswcs.org. Early registration deadline is Monday, February 19, 2007, and registrations will be accepted at the door. Registration is from 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. and the conference and meeting are from 9 to 4 p.m.

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) encourages attendance and participation by employees in career-related professional organizations that enhance career development and professionalism. Employees desiring to attend this conference and meeting must submit to their supervisor, for approval, either a Special Training Request form, MN-PER-025 or the Registration form and agenda. If approved by your supervisor, and then entered in your EDP, NRCS employees are authorized to attend this meeting on official time and personal expense. Time spent traveling outside of work hours to this event is not considered hours of work for overtime, compensatory time or accrual of credit leave.

Please contact Shannon Bengtson, Milaca, if you have any questions about this meeting.

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